

Social media platforms have become a great resource for keeping up with news and keeping in touch with our friends and families. While I encourage you all to take advantage of this technology, I urge you to take appropriate steps to ensure your and your family's safety, and your reputation.

Marine Forces Reserve uses many social media sites to get our messages out to you. As such, these accounts serve as the official face and voice of MARFORRES. You too could inadvertently be seen as speaking for the Marine Corps or the Reserves if you are not careful about how you identify yourself on your social media accounts. Your posted information could also attract scammers looking to exploit your identity as a servicemember to unsuspecting victims. And we can never forget to extend on social media the same operational and personal security measures we all must use with our sensitive information.

If you can be identified as a Marine or Sailor on social media, all comments you post will be read as if you are speaking publicly while wearing your uniform. Represent our Corps with dignity, and think before you post. Semper Fidelis.

#### BY THE NUMBERS

**RESERVE SITES** 

**Tenant Locations** 165

> **Owned Sites** 27

**Family Housing Sites** 

104,000 **Active Component End Strength** 

**TOTAL MARINE CORPS RESERVE** 

U.S. Navy End Strength 1,753

184,634

**Authorized SelRes End Strength** 38,500

**Individual Ready Reserve** 65,344

Exercises: 3

Operations: 15

**Total Deployed: 445** 

# EADERSHIP

\* Click on the names below to view their official photo and biography

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**Total Select Reserve** 

38.656

**Selected Marine Corps Reserve** 

30.457

**Active Reserve** 

2,223

**Trainees** 3,343

**Individual Mobilization Augmentees** 

2,633





FORCE HEADQUARTERS GROUP



# Social Media AND THE MARINE CORPS



The Marine Corps respects the rights of its Marines to use social media platforms as a form of ethical self-expression, and also as a means to further share our Marine Corps' story.

But, be sure you PLAN BEFORE YOU POST.

#### **SOCIAL MEDIA IS ALLOWED:**

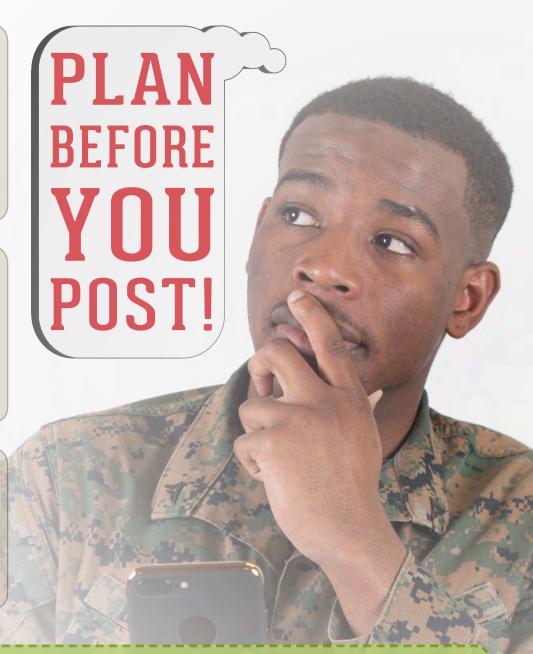
- Use sound judgment and common sense.
- Adhere to the Marine Corps' core values of honor, courage and commitment.
- Follow established policy.
- Abide by the UCMJ.

### PERSONAL SECURITY:

Educate your Marines, civilians, contractors, and especially your family members on safe posting. Routinely review your online and social media presence and behavior.

## **OPERATIONAL SECURITY:**

Marines and civilian personnel must ensure their social media/ online footprint and habits do not compromise their personal or operational security.



The social media handbook does not restrict a Marine's right to freedom of speech, but rather advises Marines how their comments can be used by the media or others, making them de facto spokespersons for the Marine Corps.



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